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# CONTINUATION-IN-PART (CIP) APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

This is a request for a filing the enclosed Continuation-in-Part application under 37 CFR §1.53(b).

### Papers enclosed are:

- 11 Pages of Specification
- <u>4</u> Pages of Claims
- \_1 Pages of Abstract
- 6 Sheets of Drawings (XX formal/ informal)
- \_\_\_ Information Disclosure Statement

#### Certification Under 37 CFR 1.10

I hereby certify that this CIP Application Transmittal and the documents referred to as attached therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date <u>August 30, 2001</u> in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" mailing Label Number <u>EL391522435US</u> addressed to the: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, **BOX PATENT APPLICATION**, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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#### I. PARTICULARS OF PRIOR APPLICATION

- A. Application Serial No. <u>09/158,418</u> filed <u>September 22, 1998</u>.
- B. Title (as originally filed): <u>EQUIPMENT LOCKING SYSTEM</u> (and as last amended if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_
- C. Name of applicant(s) (as originally filed and as last amended) and current correspondence address of applicant(s)

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#### II. INVENTORSHIP STATEMENT

☑ This application discloses and claims only subject matter disclosed in the prior application whose particulars are set out above and the inventor(s) in this application are ☐ the same as, ☐ less than, those named in the prior application; and it is requested that the following inventor(s) identified above for the prior application be deleted:
 ☑ This application discloses and claims additional subject matter with respect to the prior application and a new declaration is forthcoming. With respect to the prior application

	whose particulars are set out above the inventor(s) in this application are $\boxtimes$ the same, $\square$ add the following additional inventor(s):				
	$\boxtimes$ The inventorship for all the claims in this application is $\boxtimes$ the same, $\square$ not the san explanation, including the ownership of the various claims at the time the last convention was made, is submitted.				
III.	DECLARATION OR OATH  ☐ Continuation or division: ☐ none required.  ☑ Continuation-in-part ☐ attached (executed by inventor(s)), ☒ not attached.				
ĮV.	<ul> <li>IDENTIFICATION OF CLAIMS</li> <li>The fees to be charged are to be based on the number of claims as a result of:</li> <li>□ the attached preliminary amendment.</li> <li>□ entry of the amendment filed under 37 CFR 1.116 on April 6, 1998, in the prior application, which is requested to be entered therein.</li> <li>⋈ the claims as on file in the new CIP application.</li> </ul>				
V.	FEE CALCULATION				
CLAIMS AS FILED IN CIP APPLICATION					
	Number filed Number Extra Rate Basic Fee \$710.00				
Total					
Claims					
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-	ndent Claim(s), if any \$270.00=				
•	Filing Fee Calculation \$_710.00				
VI.	PETITION FOR SUSPENSION OF PROSECUTION FOR THE TIME NECESSARY TO FILE AN AMENDMENT ☐ Attached is a Petition to Suspend Prosecution for the Time Necessary to File an Amendment.				
VII.	SMALL ENTITY STATEMENT  ☐ A verified statement that this is a filing by a small entity is attached.  ☑ The small entity statement was filed in the parent application Serial No. 09/158,418 which parent application was filed on September 22, 1998 and this status is still proper and its benefit under 37 CFR 1.28(a) is hereby claimed.				
	Reduced Filing Fee Calculation (50% of above)	355.00			

VIII.	FEE PAYMENT  ☑ Filing Fee enclosed  ☐ Fee for Recording Assignment (\$40)  ☐ Petition fee for filing by other than all the inventors or person not the inventor where inventor refused to sign or cannot be reached (\$130.00)	\$ <u>355.00</u> \$ \$	
	Total Fees Enclosed	\$_355.00	
IX.	METHOD OF PAYMENT OF FEES  ☑ Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$355.00  ☐ Charge Deposit Account No. 23-0630 in the amount of \$		
,X.	AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE ADDITIONAL FEES  ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0		
XI.	PRIORITY - 35 U.S.C. 119  Priority of application Serial No. 0 / filed on		
XII.	RELATE BACK - 35 U.S.C. 120  ☑ Amend the Specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: "This is a Continuation-in-Part application of application Serial No. 09/158,418 filed on September 22, 1998".		
XIII.	ASSIGNMENT  The prior application is assigned of record to American Augers, Inc.		
-	☐ An assignment of the invention to		
XIV.	POWER OF ATTORNEY The power of attorney in the prior application is to <u>John R. Hlavka, Reg. No. 29,076</u> .		
	<ul> <li>☑ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.</li> <li>☐ The power does not appear in the original papers, but was filed on</li> <li>☒ A new power of attorney is forthcoming.</li> </ul>	·	
XV.	MAINTENANCE OF COPENDENCY OF PRIOR APPLICATION (must be completed and the necessary papers filed in the prior application in the prior application has run)	n if the period set	
	A netition and fee are enclosed		

XVI. CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME IN PRIOR APPLICATION

No Petition for extension of time is believed to be required. However, this is a conditional petition for extension of time for the pending prior application in the event that the need for an extension of time has been inadvertently overlooked in the prior application.

## XVII. ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION

☐ Please abandon the prior application at a time while the prior application is pending or when the petition for extension of time or petition to revive in that application is granted and when this application is granted a filing date so as to make this application copending with said prior application. At the same time please add the words ", now abandoned" to the end of the sentence amending the specification in XII above.

## XVIII. INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

☐ Submitted herewith is an Information Disclosure Statement.

### XIX. Petition to Withdraw from Issue

☐ A Petition to withdraw the prior application from issue is being filed concurrently herewith for consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement filed hereby in connection with the new CIP application.

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